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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.56 AND §1.97**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and § 1.97 to inform the Patent Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of any claim of the application, Attorneys for Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the references (AA-CT) listed on the attached revised form PTO 1449 entitled "List of References Cited by Applicant".

The above-identified application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/345,468, filed June 30, 1999. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the references AA-CT have not been included herein in as such copies are available in the file of application Serial No. 09/345,468. Applicants will provide copies of references AA-CT upon request by the Examiner.

Identification of the above-listed references is not to be construed as an admission by Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Consequently, Applicants respectfully decline to use form PTO-1449, since that form identifies all of the references cited therein as "Prior

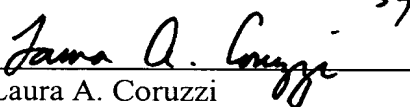
Art." As an alternative, Applicants submit herewith a "revised form PTO 1449" entitled "List of References Cited".

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), since Applicants believe that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, no fee is due. However, should the Patent Office determine otherwise, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references and that the references be made of record in the file history of the application.

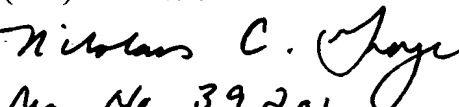
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